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SUBJECT: BID OPPORTUNITY - SHORT WAVE TRANSMITTER FOR RADIO LEBANON

1. THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL FOR MAJOR PROJECTS FOR LEBANON HAS ANNOUNCED A CALL FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF A SHORTWAVE TRANSMITTER. BID DEADLINE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 1975 11:00 A.M. OFFERS MUST BE SENT REGISTERED MAIL AND SHOULD REACH FOLLOWING ADDRESS NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, APRIL 22, NOON: CONSEIL EXECUTIF DES GRANDS PROJETS, GARMERIAN BUILDING, BIR HASSAN, BEIRUT, LEBANON.

2. SPECS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS CAN BE STUDIED DURING OFFICE HOURS AT ABOVE ADDRESS. SPECS MADE AVAILABLE TO INTERESTED FIRMS AS OF MARCH 26 AGAINST PAYMENT OF LL 50 (\$22.).

3. ABOVE ANNOUNCEMENT COVERS EXECUTION THIRD STAGE OF EXPANSION LEBANESE RADIO NETWORK OF BROADCASTING FACILITIES INVOLVING SHORT WAVE (SW) TRANSMISSION FROM AMCHIT STATION. FIRST TWO STAGES CONSISTED OF (A) CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPPING FM BROADCASTING CENTER, AND (B) EXPANSION OF MEDIUM WAVE (MW) COVERAGE THROUGH CONSTRUCTION OF SEVERAL CENTERS (MAINLY BEKAA VALLEY AND HAMAT ALONG THE COAST). BOTH CONTRACTS AWARDED TO DITA COMMUNICATIONS CO. SUPPLYING EQUIPMENT FROM JAPANESE FIRM NIPPON ELECTRIC CO. (NEC). ALL MEASURING INSTRUMENTS, HOWEVER, WERE SUPPLIED BY HEWLETT PACKARD THROUGH CONSTANTIN MACRIDIS OF BEIRUT.

4. COMPETITION EXPECTED FROM CSF-THOMSON HOUSTON (FRENCH),
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TELEFUNKEN (GERMAN), MARCONI (ENGLISH), AND NIPPON ELECTRIC

(JAPANESE).

5. EMBASSY AWARE SHORT LEAD TIME MIGHT MAKE DIFFICULT US AND
OTHER FOREIGN PARTICIPATION. EMBASSY HOWEVER, FEELS EXTENSION
OF THE DEADLINE POSSIBLE.

6. EMBASSY AIRPOUCHING SPECS.
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